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1. On 3 November 1952, the Feldzeugmeister Kaserne on Magdeburger Strasse, Brandenburg, was occupied to capacity and guarded by sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.

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the installation was especially heavily occupied. From 5:45 a.m. to 11 p.m. on 13 October, the heavy artillery unit returned from maneuvers.

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20 gun barrel trailers, 20 trailer mounts, 52 prime movers, 58 trucks including 12 with trailers, 5 tank trucks, 5 field kitchens, 7 trucks previously referred to as field offices, 2 sedans and 2 jeeps.

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A daily rate of 30 to 40 trained soldiers had left the installation since 22 October. They returned to the U.S.S.R.

Several groups of new arrivals totaling 260 had been seen since 13 October. At 7:15 a.m. on 1 November, 98 officers were seen on their way to the installation. A total of 469 men were lined up at 7:30 a.m. Prime movers with gun barrel trailer for a 203-mm gun and a trailer mount left the installation at about 10:30 a.m. Prime mover with trailer was occupied by eight officers and 26 soldiers and returned at 3:30 p.m. Trucks left the installation at about 11:30 a.m. and, carrying 62 new soldiers, returned at about 7 p.m. At 7:15 a.m. on 2 November, 97 officers were on their way to the barracks installation, and 479 soldiers were lined up at 7:30 a.m. At 7:15 a.m. on 3 November, 101 officers went to the installation; 482 soldiers were lined up at 7:30 a.m. and 156 unarmed recruits received training in the barracks yard. Motor vehicles seen at the installation included:

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driving school cars. An inspection on arms involving 20 gun barrel trailers and 20 trailer mounts for 203-mm guns was apparently held on 20 October.

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